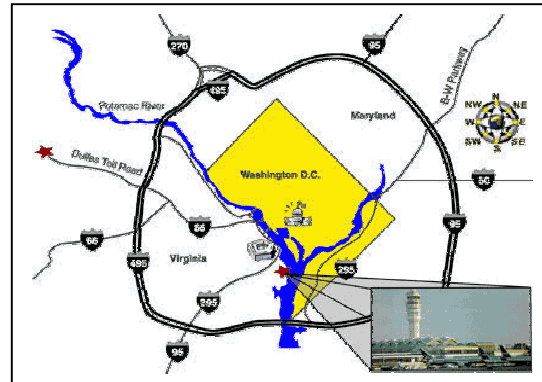


Case Study # 3

Reagan National Airport

Background

Approximately 16 million passengers a year use Reagan National Airport; of these, about 12.9 million are origin and destination passengers. Reagan offers service to destinations no further than 1250 miles from the District.



The Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority operates the airport. The facility is located across the Potomac River from Washington, D.C. Parking is relatively limited at this airport with only 7500 spaces. The airport is primarily served by taxicabs with approximately 5000 taxis dispatched to the airport daily.

Reagan National is served well by public transportation including a Washington Metro (heavy rail) subway stop at the facility. Public access to hundreds of hotels in downtown D.C. is possible through the extensive D.C. Metro network, bus and taxicabs. Eight major rental car companies operate at Reagan National. A CNG refueling facility has been completed adjacent to the airport and is serving 23 area SuperShuttle vans that operate on natural gas.

Airport Shuttles at Reagan National

An informal assessment was substituted for a full-day survey because the airport's ground transportation is so heavily dominated by taxicabs and public transportation. Limited observation revealed that the primary airport shuttles at Reagan National are:

- Airport Shuttle/Montgomery Shuttle (vans)
- Sun Park (cutaways) Airport Parking Shuttle (airport contractor) (medium-sized buses)
- SuperShuttle (vans)
- Washington Flyer Express Bus (full-sized bus)